## **SPRING ARCHERY TURKEY**

There were 2,335 resident and 387 nonresident licenses sold for a total of 2,722 licensed spring archery turkey hunters in 2014.

To obtain harvest estimates, 44% of the license holders were sampled for an overall sample size of 1,196. The response rate was 76%. Surveys were sent via email and regular mail.

The projected harvest based on survey responses was 695 male turkeys for a success rate of 26%, which was an increase of 3% from 2013. The season was open from April 5 through May 18 and the projected total number of days hunted was 9,282, an average of 3.41 days per hunter.

The five units with the highest reported harvest were Gregory, Grant, Marshall/Roberts, Charles Mix/Douglas, and the Black Hills.

## Comparison of the 2004-2014 Spring Archery Turkey Seasons

|      | Licens   | ses Sold    | Male    |         | Avg Days |              |
|------|----------|-------------|---------|---------|----------|--------------|
| Year | Resident | Nonresident | Harvest | Success | Hunted   | Satisfaction |
| 2004 | 1,330    | 322         | 512     | 31%     | 4.62     | 4.61         |
| 2005 | 1,778    | 401         | 591     | 27%     | 4.46     | 4.61         |
| 2006 | 2,072    | 460         | 737     | 29%     | 4.52     | 4.63         |
| 2007 | 2,079    | 400         | 679     | 27%     | 4.25     | 5.42         |
| 2008 | 2,199    | 459         | 722     | 27%     | 4.34     | 5.45         |
| 2009 | 2,124    | 443         | 844     | 33%     | 4.42     | 5.51         |
| 2010 | 2,085    | 463         | 780     | 31%     | 4.28     | 5.41         |
| 2011 | 2,243    | 478         | 686     | 25%     | 3.91     | 5.37         |
| 2012 | 2,137    | 418         | 739     | 29%     | 3.57     | 5.48         |
| 2013 | 2,390    | 440         | 641     | 23%     | 3.42     | 5.12         |
| 2014 | 2,335    | 387         | 695     | 26%     | 3.41     | 5.17         |

| 2014 Spring Archery Turkey Harvest Projections |        |       |         |      |          |         |                  |       |           |        |          |
|--|--------|-------|---------|------|----------|---------|------------------|-------|-----------|--------|----------|
| Last Revised:                                  |        | Licer | ises    |      |          | Unit/   |                  |       |           | _      |          |
| 08/18/2014                                     | Resi   | dent  | Nonresi | dent | Response | Subunit | Harvest Estimate |       | Ave. Days | Avg    |          |
| Unit/Type                                      | Avail. | Sold  | Avail.  | Sold | Rate     | Success | Toms             | Jakes | Total     | Hunted | Satsfctn |
| ST1-32   | Unlim  | 2,335 | Unlim   | 387  | 76.0%    | 26%     | 608              | 87    | 695       | 3.41   | 5.17     |

Response rate for the season was **76.0%**Satisfaction scale of 1=very dissatisfied to 7=very satisfied.

## 2014 Spring Archery Turkey Harvest Distribution

| Last Revised:             |       |            |       |         |              |         |       |
|---------------------------|-------|------------|-------|---------|--------------|---------|-------|
| 18-Aug-14                 |       | orted Harv | est   |         | jected Harve | est     |       |
|                           | Males |            | Ma    | les     |              |         |       |
| County                    | Toms  | Jakes      | Total | Toms    | Jakes        | Total   | %     |
| 01A (Minnehaha)           | 9     | 2          | 11    | 27      | 6            | 33      | 4.8%  |
| 02A (Pennington-East)     | 7     | 2          | 9     | 21      | 6            | 27      | 3.9%  |
| 06A (Brookings)           | 1     | 0          | 1     | 3       | 0            | 3       | 0.4%  |
| 07A (Yankton)             | 8     | 3          | 11    | 24      | 9            | 33      | 4.8%  |
| 08A (Davison/Hanson)      | 9     | 0          | 9     | 27      | 0            | 27      | 4.0%  |
| 11A (Bennett)             | 0     | 0          | 0     | 0       | 0            | 0       | 0.0%  |
| 12A (Bon Homme)           | 1     | 2          | 3     | 3       | 6            | 9       | 1.3%  |
| 13A (Brule)               | 1     | 0          | 1     | 3       | 0            | 3       | 0.4%  |
| 15A (Butte/Lawrence)      | 4     | 0          | 4     | 12      | 0            | 12      | 1.8%  |
| 17A (Charles Mix/Douglas) | 13    | 2          | 15    | 40      | 6            | 46      | 6.6%  |
| 19A (Clay)                | 8     | 4          | 12    | 24      | 12           | 36      | 5.2%  |
| 20A (Corson)              | 0     | 0          | 0     | 0       | 0            | 0       | 0.0%  |
| 21A (Custer/Penn-Mid)     | 4     | 2          | 6     | 12      | 6            | 18      | 2.6%  |
| 22A (Day/Codington)       | 8     | 1          | 9     | 24      | 3            | 27      | 3.9%  |
| 23A (Deuel)               | 4     | 1          | 5     | 12      | 3            | 15      | 2.2%  |
| 24A (Dewey/Ziebach)       | 1     | 0          | 1     | 3       | 0            | 3       | 0.4%  |
| 27A (Fall River)          | 2     | 0          | 2     | 6       | 0            | 6       | 0.9%  |
| 29A (Grant)               | 17    | 1          | 18    | 52      | 3            | 55      | 7.9%  |
| 30A (Gregory)             | 20    | 3          | 23    | 61      | 9            | 70      | 10.1% |
| 31A (Haakon)              | 1     | 0          | 1     | 3       | 0            | 3       | 0.4%  |
| 35A (Harding)             | 0     | 0          | 0     | 0       | 0            | 0       | 0.0%  |
| 36A (Hughes)              | 0     | 0          | 0     | 0       | 0            | 0       | 0.0%  |
| 37A (Hutchinson)          | 2     | 0          | 2     | 6       | 0            | 6       | 0.9%  |
| 39A (Jackson)             | 2     | 0          | 2     | 6       | 0            | 6       | 0.9%  |
| 40A (Jerauld)             | 0     | 0          | 0     | 0       | 0            | 0       | 0.0%  |
| 41A (Jones)               | 0     | 0          | 0     | 0       | 0            | 0       | 0.0%  |
| 44A (Lincoln)             | 3     | 0          | 3     | 9       | 0            | 9       | 1.3%  |
| 45A (Lyman)               | 4     | 0          | 4     | 12      | 0            | 12      | 1.8%  |
| 48A (Marshall/Roberts)    | 14    | 2          | 16    | 43      | 6            | 49      | 7.0%  |
| 49A (Meade/Pennington)    | 13    | 1          | 14    | 40      | 3            | 43      | 6.1%  |
| 50A (Mellette)            | 2     | 0          | 2     | 6       | 0            | 6       | 0.9%  |
| 52A (Moody)               | 1     | 0          | 1     | 3       | 0            | 3       | 0.4%  |
| 53A (Perkins)             | 1     | 0          | 1     | 3       | 0            | 3       | 0.4%  |
| 56A (Sanborn)             | 2     | 0          | 2     | 6       | 0            | 6       | 0.4%  |
| 58A (Stanley)             | 2     | 0          | 2     | 6       | 0            | 6       | 0.9%  |
| 60A (Tripp)               | 8     | 0          | 8     | 24      | 0            | 24      | 3.5%  |
| 61A (Turner)              | 1     | 0          | 1     | 3       | 0            | 3       | 0.4%  |
| 62A (Union)               | 14    | 0          | 14    | 3<br>43 |              | 3<br>43 | 6.2%  |
| 65A (Shannon)             | 0     | 0          | 0     | 43<br>0 | 0<br>0       | 43<br>0 | 0.0%  |
| 67A (Todd)                | 0     | 0          | 0     | 0       | 0            | 0       | 0.0%  |
| BH1 (Black Hills)         | 12    | 3          | 15    | 37      | 9            | 46      | 6.6%  |
| Unknown                   | 4     | 0          | 4     |         |              |         | 3.070 |
| TOTALS                    | 203   | 29         | 232   | 608     | 87           | 695     |       |

Any by unit projected harvest values will differ from by statewide projected harvest values due to incorrect sampling proportions within management units.

Use these figures for approximations only!

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